

DAYTONA AND ITS ATTRACTIONS.

DAYTONA is situated upon the west bank of the Halifax River at its widest expanse and midway between its source at Bulow Bay and its outlet at Mosquito Inlet. It is in latitude 29, seventy-four miles from St. Augustine and the mule from the Atlantic Ocean, and is acknowledged to be without a rival for beauty among the villages of the South. Its site is upon what is known as high hammock land that was crowned by nature with a most royal growth of majestic forest trees, and among these trees is the town of today, with its beautiful cottages and well-graded walks and streets. The result is that all along the wide avenues that intersect the town are lovely live and water oaks and hickories, many of them draped with graceful festoons of the gray Spanish moss, that overarch the street and walks, and among these are interspersed tall tropical palm-trees, glossy-leaved magnolias, fragrant bay and coral-berried holly, and many other varieties, while in many places the wild grape, the trumpet vine and the amplexiclimb and cling among the branches forming shady bowers and adding grace and beauty.

The town lies parallel with the Halifax River, and extends for nearly two miles along the shore. The river is the delight of the angler and the yachtsman and forms one of the town's greatest attractions.

The main avenue that runs parallel with or intersects the river is all 100 feet wide, except Beach street, which is about sixty-five feet, but has a half-mile of open, beautiful water abutting upon its eastern side, where the salt waves ebb and flow and along and across which comes the cooling, invigorating and health-giving breeze from off the wide Atlantic, which temper and render the Halifax climate one of the most perfect in the world. Daytona has many miles of well-graded, macled and shelled roads and streets, rendering it the

Wheelman's Paradise
and added to these, but a mile away, are thirty miles of smooth, hard beach, that affords an unrivalled course for long-distance cycling and driving or automobile racing. No town of equal size, North or South, numbers so many wheelmen, and cycling is a favorite pastime with the tourists summer and winter.

The Beautiful Cottages
that have been erected during the past years and are being built are rendering Daytona as famous for its fine homes as for its beautiful river, trees and avenues, and they are adding yearly to its attractions.

Not the least of these attractions to those recurring homes in the South, and ranking second only to healthfulness and perfection of climate, is the fact that its population is chiefly composed of cultivated and intelligent people, accustomed to the refinements of home and social life. Added to these features are good churches, good public and private schools, stores, hotels, laundry, meat markets, novelty works, an opera house, electric light for street and home illumination, a good telephone system, ice factory, Lily Water Works, and hot and cold baths, etc., and everything else can be procured that is necessary to make life comfortable. An important feature in the healthfulness of this town is the

Water Supply
which is derived from numerous flowing wells, of which there are probably 300 in the corporate limits. This flow is secured by boring wells to the depth of from 80 to 120 feet, passing through several strata of rock, and this depth assures purity from all surface contamination. The water is slightly impregnated with magnesium and iron, and holds sulphur in the shape of gas, which soon passes away.

The Population of Daytona
proper is about 1,800. Added to this is a suburban population on main shore and peninsula of about 1,000 at Kington, Blake, Old Seabreeze or Goodall, Seabreeze and Silver Beach, which are properly a part of the town and population.

Daytona Beach
lies one mile east of the town. It is approached by three good bridges over the river and well-graded avenues, and is the principal summer resort south of St. Augustine. It has more tourists during the summer than all other places south of that city combined, and is also becoming a favorite winter resort. The beach is wide, firm and smooth, by many considered the finest in the world, and the sunbathing is safe and excellent summer and winter. People who have tried Northern and Western summer resorts declare that there are none so perfect in comfort as Daytona beach.

Automobile Race Meet.
The Florida East Coast Automobile Association conducts an annual race meet on the beach, which has now a universal reputation as the greatest automobile race course in the world. The Daytona-Ormond Beach is hard as macadam, and an ideal stretch of thirty or more miles without a break makes it the natural racetrack ground for America.

At low tide the beach is barred for 300 feet and neither carriage wheel, bicycle or pedestrian can make a hardly visible imprint on the smooth and well-packed sand. It is no uncommon sight to see sail-rigged bicycles speeding with the velocity of the wind before a stiff breeze along the smooth beach, thus affording the most exhilarating sport known to man. Besides these, miles of hard-shelled, palm fringed boulevards bring the lovers of

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the wheel and vehicles into direct touch with the mainland over the broad bridges which span the splendid Halifax River.

The beach from the sandy bluffs to the lowest point at ebb-tide, measures about 500 feet, and the average depth of the surf measures about two feet. A continuous gentle swell rolls in from the ocean from one to two feet in depth under normal conditions, making the beach an attractive and absolutely safe place for surf-bathing. Here the infant as well as the grey-haired veteran of many summers, can safely enjoy the luxury of a sea bath throughout the larger part of the year, while the strong and expert swimmer, can venture out further to test his strength and skill in battling with the inexhaustible powers of the mighty ocean.

The Peninsula

lying between river and ocean is one-half mile wide, and is being rapidly improved, and there are many fine cottages and several good hotels, an opera house, two ocean piers, beach pavilion and a large casino.

A Remarkable Feature

at Daytona has been the yearly improvement in the style and value of the buildings that are being erected for homes. Men of capital of the North and West have become awakened to its advantages for winter residences, and valuable lots are being purchased and costly houses, beautiful in design and finish, are being erected, and beautiful homes, the abodes of wealth and culture are multiplying.

Seabreeze (City Beautiful) and Goodall are settlements on the Ocean side of the peninsula across the Halifax River from Daytona. At the foot of Ocean Boulevard, Seabreeze, a pier reaches 600 feet across the beach into the swelling surf of the ocean. This pier is a favorite resort of those who delight in the sport of fishing. The surf here abounds in trout, pompano, yellowtail, cavalla, whiting, drum, sheepshead and many other varieties of edible fish. During the fall season the famous sea bass affords royal sport, and it has been no uncommon occurrence to land a thousand pounds of this gamey fish in an afternoon, individuals of them ranging from fifteen to thirty-five pounds in weight. Not only does the ocean offer this splendid sport but the Halifax River, only half a mile back of the ocean, is equally famous for its fine fishing, and the varieties that abound in the ocean are present in the river.

Hunting and fishing good. Experienced guides and dogs may be had at reasonable prices.

Low Tide on the Beach.											
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High tide hours before or after low tide.

Charity.
"I looked everywhere for you at the church fair, last evening," said her ardent devotee, "but I didn't see you."
"You forget," she answered sweetly, "that I am Charity."—Judge.

A Faithful Servant.
One night Prince Talleyrand was suddenly awakened by the firing of a pistol, and, seeing his valet walking about the room, he asked him what he was doing.

"There was a mouse in the room, your highness, and for fear it might disturb you I shot it."

His Exact Statement.
Author—Is it true that you say my latest is the worst book I ever wrote? Critical Acquaintance—Nonsense, my dear fellow. What I said was that it was the worst book anybody ever wrote—not you in particular.

English.
"It's funny."
"What's funny?"
"That you can never tell whether a woman has a good carriage till you have seen her walk."—Exchange.



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Pierre d'A. Pratt has returned to the city from a business trip to the county capital.

Miss Gladys Stewart has returned to Melbourne, after a visit with friends and relatives in Daytona.

Oriental Commandery of Knights Templar is in convocation this afternoon. The work of conferring degrees will continue after supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Gmwar, of Frankfort, Indiana, have returned for the season, and have leased one of the Stewart cottages, at Daytona Beach.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Houghton have arrived in Daytona, and the doctor is busy fixing up rooms in the Opera House block for a dental office.

Thomas H. Keating, a well-known business man of Palatka, and known to many in Daytona, has been in the city for the past two days on business.

*For Sale or Rent.—Furnished Cottage on Second Avenue, near Ridgewood; furnace heat, electric light, bathroom and complete sanitary plumbing. Geo. F. Brown, cor. 2nd&Ridgewood, if

The Board of Trade will hold a special meeting next Tuesday at 2:30 p. m., to consider the matter of issuing booklets descriptive of Daytona.

Miss Elizabeth Silvernail arrived Saturday from Wellesley, Mass., where she has been attending college, to spend her holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Silvernail.

The Christmas exercises of the Sunday School of the First Baptist Church were held last evening. The program was well rendered, and reflected credit on teachers and classes alike.

Bert Paetli, of Ponce Park, has secured the contract to repair the New Smyrna bridge. With a force of men he will commence work immediately and push the job to completion.

E. E. DeWitt has arrived here from Mackinaw Island, Mich., and will assist W. H. Gardner, the photographer, during the season. J. J. Rose, of Chicago, is to be connected with the same concern.

Owing to the inclement weather last Sunday the Christmas services of the Congregational Church did not take place, as scheduled, but the program as outlined will take place next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Wednesday being St. John's Day, services took place in the Episcopal Church at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and were conducted by Rev. C. W. Arnold, the pastor. Today is Innocent's Day, and services are in progress this afternoon.

Tuesday was a banner day for fishing at Daytona Beach, and several large catches were reported. Wednesday being a damp and disagreeable day, there were not many anglers out, and the fish were not biting their best.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hill, of Detroit, Mich., arrived in the city yesterday, and are enjoying the attractions of the town for a few days.

A trim launch belonging to William Paddelford, of Washington, D. C., has arrived in the city. The owner expects to take a cruise in the boat as far south as Miami.

Pool is proving a popular pastime in the comfortable quarters of the Halifax River Yacht Club. In order to keep the members and their friends supplied with sufficient paraphernalia another new pool table of the latest pattern has recently been installed.

Port Orange.

Miss Bessie Wheeler came home from her school to spend Christmas. Henry Morris also came up from Dade County, where he is engaged in truck farming, to spend the holidays with his daughters. Chaney Vass came home from Rollins College to spend Christmas with his father.

Miss Ruth Bohm went to Jacksonville to visit her sister, Mrs. R. Lafferty. Colonel Tedder is home visiting his parents.

Saturday night was the usual Christmas tree for the children, at the Congregational Church. There was a large crowd of delighted children present to receive the gifts so kindly sent each year by Mrs. T. T. Allan, of New York. They were distributed by Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Simeon.

Next Monday night, New Years, the ladies are going to give a supper in Ridgewood Hall for the benefit of Grace Church. All are cordially invited, and they will have a good time, and plenty to eat and drink.

Mrs. Fair and Herbert went over to join Mr. Fair, at her parents' home, near Deland.

C. Martin Milburn arrived from St. Augustine Tuesday, and spent Wednesday in Daytona, leaving Wednesday night for Palm Beach.

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